

As the amendments herein place the application in condition for allowance by (a) placing the objected to claims in independent form, (b) retaining the allowed claims and (c) canceling the rejected claims, it is respectfully submitted that no "new issues" are raised.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-14, 17-19, 21-24, 26, 30-33, 37 and 38, add new claim 48 and amend claims 15, 25 and 29 as follows:

--48. (New) A method of smoothing wrinkles in a region of wrinkled skin comprising the steps of :

    applying a pulsed light to a surface of the region of wrinkled skin, said step of applying pulsed light including the step of pulsing a non-coherent light source; and

    heating collagen in the region of the wrinkled skin to a temperature that will shrink the collagen sufficiently to reduce the wrinkles.

15. (Amended) The method of Claim [14] 48, further including the step of controlling the radiation spectrum by filtering the light to control a temperature distribution within the skin.

25. (Amended Twice) An apparatus for treating a region of skin comprising:  
    a pulsed light source for heating and shrinking the collagen in the region of skin to a degree sufficient to reduce wrinkles in the region of skin; [and]  
    a housing[,] in which the pulsed light source is disposed, wherein the housing includes an aperture disposed with respect to the pulsed light source to direct light emitted from the light source to the region of skin[.] ; and

a timer, connected to the pulsed light source, for indicating when a delay time has passed after an application of a cooling substance to the skin region.

29. (Twice Amended) The apparatus of Claim [26]25, including means for reducing the temperature of the cooling substance, wherein the means for reducing is disposed to provide a signal indicative of cooling to the timer.